GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6302
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PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN CHANDIGARH
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Territory Chandigarh Administration has issued notices for the resumption of residential premises in Chandigarh in which private schools are being run for decades;

(b) if so, the number of students and teachers who would be affected thereby;

(c) whether these schools cater to the needs of middle and weaker sections of the society;

(d) whether Punjab and Haryana High Court had issued certain guidelines about these private schools and allotment of school sites to them; and

(e) if so, the action proposed to prevent teachers being rendered jobless and students from being without the schools?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERS(PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a): Yes, Sir. However, none of the premises has been resumed so far.

(b): As per survey conducted in 2002 by the Chandigarh Administration, there were 158 schools consisting of 32,200 students and 1433 teachers functioning from residential premises in Chandigarh.

(c): These schools cater to the needs of all sections of the society.

(d)&(e): Yes, Sir. In pursuance of the orders passed by the Hon`ble Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh Administration have so far allotted 20 alternative sites. In addition, action has been taken to enhance the capacity of government-run schools.